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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.183 filed March 4, 2005, requesting waiver of the rules such that applicant may file a substitute specification in this application.

The petition is **granted**.

Petitioner seeks waiver of the preclusion of the filing of a substitute specification herein in that incorporating the changes effectuated by a prior Certificate of Correction into the specification would be simplified. It is agreed that justice would be served by waiver of the rules.

This application is being referred to the Technology Center.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3217.

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